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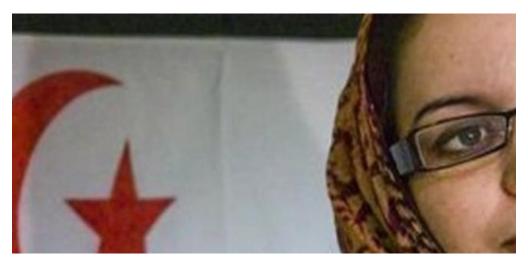
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## Letter to the Minister for Equality



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## H.E. Minister and Member Irene Montero:

We arrive at the International Day against Sexist Violence without the Ministry of Equality, and in particular its feminist minister have raised their voices or moved a single finger in support and defense of the Saharawi citizen and resistance Sultana Jaya. A Ministry that is deaf, mute, blind and discriminating against an international crime (Fourth Geneva Convention) such as the Moroccan annexation of the occupied territories of Western Sahara, the rape of Sultana Jaya, the outrage against her family and the constant siege of her home.

While purple advertising is hung on the institutional facades of our country, alluding to the defense of women("You are not alone"), Sultana Jaya is alone when it comes to the due support of her Ministry of Equality.

Either ignorance is a lot (of an entire ministry?) or hypocrisy and institutional cowardice far outweigh that guilty ignorance.

Spain is the legal Administering Power of our former Province 53 and, therefore, under International Law, has an obligation to protect its citizens. She is, in this case, a brave, fighting, consistent citizen who deserves to be rewarded for her resistance to the thugs and criminals who have besieged her for a year now and who have harassed and raped her.

But, instead of protecting them, Spain, the Spanish Government, hands over Saharawi citizens to Morocco to be tortured and imprisoned, and turned a deaf ear to Sultana Jaya's deafening cry for help from "civilized" countries, among which Spain has primary responsibility and culpability.

We don't believe in that feminism of colors and tambourine. It is not enough for the Minister of Equality to lead the demonstration on 25 November. We want a full-fledish denunciation of that Ministry before the Moroccan occupation authorities and an immediate and unmitigated defense of Sultana Jaya and her family.

We do not want a mute, deaf and blind, ignorant and cowardly government that leaves a dignified Saharawi woman ALONE before the henchmen, thugs and criminals.

What feminism is this? We want action to be taken accordingly, in accordance with international law and the rule of law.

In Madrid, November 25, 2021

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